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- 3. References 1 & 3-5 were cited in the International Search Report. An English language version of the International Search Report is attached for the Examiner's information. Copies of the cited references are attached hereto.
- 4. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(ii), copies of any U.S. patents and patent application publications are not attached.
- 5. English language Abstracts of the non-English language References 2-4 are attached hereto.

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6. Computer-generated English language translations of the following Japanese Patent Publications have been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([http://www.jpo.go.jp]), and are attached, but have not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 3 & 4.

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